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Faculty concerns subject of meetings

by **BUTCH BARKER**
reporter

Two meetings have been called for faculty members to decide if they need a union or other organization to protect their influence on campus.

Meetings will be at 7:30 p.m. Thursday in Memorial Student Center 2W22 and 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, April 18, in MSC John Spotts Room.

"Do you feel that faculty members at Marshall have a shrinking influence on university decision-making?" is the heading on the flier.

Other statements on the flier are:

- "Do you wonder if your salary will ever reach 95 percent of

anything?

- "Is the cancellation of computer science an isolated event?"
- "Is a union becoming necessary to protect our rights?"
- "Come meet other faculty interested in discussing unions, AAUP [American Association of University Professors], collective action, mutual support, and faculty concerns."

The flier is identified as an invitation from Marshall University faculty members of the Association of Involved Marshall Employees: Elaine Baker of psychology, Janet Dooley of journalism and mass communications, Philip Carter of social work, David Duke of history, Lynda Ann Ewen of sociology/anthropology, Marianna Footo-Linz of psychology, Pamela Mulder of psychology, Mark Simmons of pharmacology, Eddy Pendarvis of teacher education, Joe Wyatt of psychology and AAUP member Glenda Lowry of education.

Of 11 names on the flier, six declined comment and five others could not be reached.

According to the flier, a national AAUP representative will visit campus April 17 to discuss AAUP organization on campus.

Many of these concerns started after decisions involved in proposals to reorganize the Colleges of Science and Liberal Arts, abolishment of the Computer Science and Software Development major, changing faculty parking and distribution of faculty pay raises.

At Faculty Senate's March 19 meeting, members voted against the reorganization of the two colleges and also rejected a plan to abolish faculty-only parking lots. The Senate approved university administrators' plans to abolish the computer software development program and reorganization of the School of Nursing and Health Professions.

Time out for a tune



Photo by Tonia Holbrook

Sixteen Marshall students were in sunny Florida during spring break last week, but they were there for more than sunshine. They helped build houses in a Habitat for Humanity project. Taking a break for a little music are from left, Cliff Haddox, Jennifer McCormick, Chad Beam and Jessica Lepinski. (See related story and photos, page six.)

COS awaits news on reorganization

by **NICOLE M. WRIGHT**
reporter

College of Science faculty and staff are playing the waiting game to see how President J. Wade Gilley reacts to the Faculty Senate's disapproval of reorganization in the college.

Gilley should make a decision by the end of the week or next week, said Dr. Corley F. Dennison, Faculty Senate president.

"We are waiting for a response from President Gilley," he said. "Then any further action will depend on his response."

Dr. Thomas A. Storch, College of Science dean, said the reorganization would result in three divisions, each with a separate office consisting of two secretaries in each office. He said the reorganization also would result in COS offices closing at 6 p.m. instead of 4:30 p.m.

"By staggering work hours of secretaries and office staff, students and faculty will have access to offices," Storch said. Also, each office will be open through the summer months to assist students in summer school, he said.

If the reorganization is approved departments will maintain their identity, said Dr. Ralph W. Taylor, College of Science associate dean. But reorganization would result in the Department of Physics and Physical Science changing to the Division of Physical Science with chemistry, physics, physical science and geology departments under that division, Taylor said.

Dr. Richard D. Begley, Department of Engineering chairman, said he applauds the efforts of the dean to initiate a way for the college to be more effective through reorganization.

"I thought there was enough feedback from faculty considered in the reorganization plan," he said.

Reorganization plans would benefit his department with additional staff, Begley said. "I would have assistance with administrative tasks and students would have someone to refer their needs to all year."

Students would be able to contact needed staff and faculty during the summer months, he said. "It is difficult to provide a continuous level of services to students if we don't have a person here 12 months of the year," Begley said.

Forum open to students

by **AMANDA TERRY**
reporter

Students who have concerns with policies and procedures in Disabled Student Services will have a chance to voice them at a forum Thursday.

The Forum on Disabilities Issues & Concerns is scheduled for 3 p.m. in Memorial Student Center room 2W29.

Sandra M. Clements, Counselor for Student Development, said the forum is not only for disabled students.

"Anybody who wants to talk about disability issues and concerns can attend the forum," Clements said. "You don't have to be a student with a disability to attend."

Clements said the forum is a chance to express ideas about the programming in the Disabled Student Services Office.

"We want to continue to address and meet your needs so that we can serve you better," Clements said.

"We will be discussing policies and procedures of the office."

Clements, along with Stephen W. Hensley, associate dean of student affairs, Peggy S. Wilkink, program director for the Community College, and Dr. Protip K. Ghosh, professor of geology and chairman of the subcommittee for the disabled will be on hand to answer questions.

Accommodations, campus facilities, and seating at the Henderson Center will be among the topics for discussion. Clements said the forums usually draw a crowd of about 15 people, but she hopes the attendance will be higher tomorrow.

"We would like for every student or faculty member that has a concern to attend," Clements said. "We usually only have a handful of people attend, but we would like to have more."

Information about Disabled Student Services is available by calling 696-2271.

Buds may attract butterflies

by **MARIA CHAPMAN**
reporter

Some Marshall employees are hoping the university will be for the birds — and also the butterflies.

It's all part of the process to spruce up campus for spring and summer.

Andrew Sheetz, supervisor of roads and grounds, said the flower beds south of James E. Morrow Library are being developed as a butterfly garden.

"We're trying to attract butterflies and hummingbirds and trying to make it a little bit more attractive to the students, because a lot of students spend a lot of time down there."

This is part of getting campus ready for spring, Sheetz said. Other projects include filling more than 20 flower beds on campus with annual blooming flowers, mowing, mulching and planting trees.

Butterfly bushes, Canadian Columbine, purple cone flowers and Armeria Maritima will be the main plants in the butterfly garden.

"Butterflies like plants that they can hang on and plants that have a fragrance," Sheetz said.

Another feature of the garden will be a multi-layer effect with the plants.

"Each one of these plants grows to a specific height," Sheetz said. "Some are very low growing. The Canadian Columbine grows to 24 to 30 inches and the purple cone flowers and the Butterfly Bushes grow three to four feet."

Work on the garden is expected to begin later in April after the last frost.

The main flowers in the butterfly garden will be perennials, but there will be some annuals for added color, Sheetz said.

Most flowers in beds on campus are annuals. The reason for this is because of their brighter colors, Sheetz said.

"They give you a vivid display, it would take a greater number of perennials to get the same effect," he said. There is a bed with only perennial flowers on the north side of the science building. Perennial bulbs are planted in most of the beds on campus, and those flowers should start coming up in the next few weeks, Sheetz said. When

the bulbs die down in late May, the grounds crew will plant the annual flowers.

The grounds crew will also be planting flowers at President Gilley's house. "We'll put some flower pots on the front porch, and some flower pots around the other entrances to the house with Impatiens in them," Sheetz said. Flower beds are also in the back of the house and at the entrance to the driveway.

Shrubs around Old Main will be transplanted before window replacement begins this summer. Some shrubs may be planted at Gilley's house.

Eight trees also will be planted in spots around campus. The new trees will be maples, but there will be a maple cut down near Old Main.

During spring break the grounds crew starting mulching flower beds and mowing grass. They also started a process called bed edging which involves trimming grass that grows over the edges of beds.



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briefs

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — There's someone missing from this year's group picture of the Iowa Senate's pages — President Clinton.

The pages' group shot is always taken in front of the Senate president's chair, and it includes the official portrait of the sitting United States president.

This year, the high school students who serve as pages voted to remove Clinton's portrait from the background because of the scandal surrounding the president's alleged relationship with former White House intern Monica Lewinsky.

"He's not the best role model for young people," said Matt Johnston, a Senate page from Muscatine. "It was a majority consensus to remove his picture for our group picture."

The pages returned Clinton's picture to its traditional spot in the Senate after a photographer took the picture.

BERKELEY, Calif. (AP) — This famously liberal home to the University of California still struggles with one major hang-up: public nudity.

The City Council plans to reconsider a 1993 law prohibiting men and women over 10 from displaying genitals or buttocks in public. Female breasts are allowed to be shown only when nursing.

The law has been brazenly challenged by several residents, including the X-Plicit Players, a nude theater group.

"When people first see us with our clothes off, they're shocked," troupe member Nina Shilling said. "In that split second, all of the senses come alive. There is a kind of contagious innocence that I find very inspiring."

Ms. Shilling and fellow performer Debbie Moore were accused of breaking the anti-nudity law but were acquitted in 1996.

The council passed the law after a nude appearance by Andrew Martinez, a university student known as the "Naked Guy." But the council privately discussed the law last week and will probably talk it over again.

Senator resigns, others 'rewarded'

by BUTCH BARKER
reporter

Student Senate met Tuesday in a stuffy Student Government Association office that was heated by more than the temperature.

The final meeting of Session 50 began with Student Body Vice President J.J. Spichek calling the meeting to order, and ended with College of Liberal Arts Sen. Shelly VanMeter resigning.

Of nine bills up for second reading and two for first, all were passed with only one causing a stir.

College of Business Sen. Matt Ladd questioned a bill that would create a structured

training program for new senators, executives and justices.

The SGA Constitution already covers a training rule, Ladd said. After Ladd's point, senators decided the bill should already be active. The bill will be observed for the first time this Saturday at a senate training session.

An amendment, sponsored by Senate President Pro-

"This was not the kind of leadership I was looking for when I committed myself to student government ..."

— Shelly VanMeter,
former C.O.L.A. senator

Tempore Keenan Rhodes and Graduate College Sen. Jayson Grayson, that would enforce disciplinary action to senators who miss more than two meetings without an excuse was also passed.

student government," she said. "For that and other reasons, I announce my resignation."

VanMeter's resignation will open a seat in C.O.L.A.

Spichek ended his session well, he said.

"Matt [Glover] and I did good things during our term," he said. "We gave a lot of money to different organizations. I believe I am leaving on a good note."

Spichek also wished luck to President-elect Mackenzie Howard and Vice President-elect Susan Porter, who will be inaugurated Friday.

Just before adjournment, quasi awards were presented by Rhodes.

Awards presented that drew attention were The Wine and Cheese Award to Darcy Bierce and The Richard Nixon Award to exiting President R. Matt Glover.

Shooting suspect in more trouble

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — The older of two boys held in the Arkansas schoolyard ambush is accused of molesting a little girl while he visited Minnesota last summer, according to an aunt and a former neighbor.

"It happened," Mitchell Johnson's aunt, Linda Koelsch of Spring Valley, told the Saint Paul Pioneer Press. "He did it."

Mitchell, 13, was charged with inappropriately touching the girl, who was 2 or 3 at the time, according to a source close to the investigation. The boy has appeared in court twice and a juvenile trial is pending, the source said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

NBC News reported that the trial is set for June. The network also reported that Mitchell was under psychiatric counseling as recently as last fall.

Records of the case have not been made pub-

lic because he is a juvenile.

Mitchell also told a friend and the friend's mother that he had to go to court over the matter.

"He said he was being accused of sexually molesting her," said Cathy O'Rourke, who lived in the same southern Minnesota trailer park as Mitchell until he moved to Arkansas with his mother.

Mitchell's parents divorced in 1994. Mitchell spent summers with his father, Scott Johnson, in Grand Meadow, about 95 miles south of Minneapolis.

Mitchell and Andrew Golden, 11, are being held on five counts each of murder and 10 counts of battery. Police say the two ambushed classmates and staff members who had left the school in Jonesboro, Ark., last week after the boys triggered a fire alarm.

City curfew delayed pending lawsuit

CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP) — The city agreed yesterday to postpone today's planned enforcement of a curfew for minors pending a hearing on a lawsuit filed by residents.

"We feel like it's a small victory and that the court recognizes there are some questions that need to be answered. We are fully prepared to do that," said Hilary Chiz, president of the state chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union.

The lawsuit filed last week claims the curfew is unfair

to teenagers and parents.

The claim was filed by the ACLU, three George Washington High School students and a mother of one of the students.

A hearing on the lawsuit was set for July in Kanawha County Circuit Court. Chiz did not immediately know the date.

The curfew would ban minors from being on the street between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m. Sunday through Thursday and between midnight and 6 a.m. on weekends.

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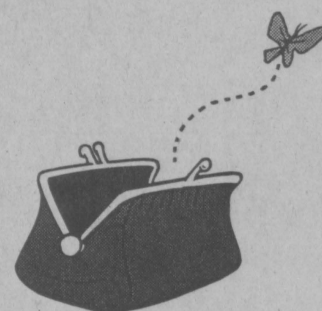
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Students choose wellness and academics

by ALISHA D. GRASS
reporter

Fit and smart.

That is what many Marshall residence hall students cited as their choices for specially-designated floors in the recently released results of 1,009 student surveys.

Gabrielle A. Sulzbach, residence hall coordinator, said surveys were completed by 626 women and 383 men.

The survey was comprised of five possible floor topics and a choice as

to what residence halls the students would want to live, Sulzbach said.

Students marked their areas of floor interest. Choices were wellness, academically challenging, languages, majors and other.

For both men and women, wellness and academically challenging floors were at the top of the list of what students wanted as far as interest floors go.

Sulzbach said 125 women and 89 men wanted a wellness floor. "This simply means residents want to live a healthy life by eating right and

exercising," she said. "Usually these students do not drink or smoke."

Sulzbach said the wellness floors in Buskirk Hall and Twin Towers East will remain. "We may have a floor in Twin Towers West too," she said.

She said she plans to do more with the wellness floors. "The residents want more exercise programs, CPR sessions and a volleyball cookout," she said.

Sulzbach said 89 women and 49 men wanted academically challenging floors.

Academically challenging floors enable students to have quiet time to study, Sulzbach said.

She said there were several academically challenging floors in Holderby Hall but because of lack of interest they did away with the idea.

"However, this is what the students want," she said. "We could possibly have more academic floors. The survey showed one floor in Twin Towers West had 38 women who wanted the academic floor, so TTW is a possibility," she said.

Only 49 men requested an academically challenging floor.

There probably won't be an academic floor for the men because the numbers weren't that strong," she said.

The responses for the other topics were not high enough to implement, she said.

"Most students like where they are and don't want any changes," she said.

Sulzbach said the survey was conducted too late to be implemented in the fall. She said it will probably not go into effect until fall 1999.

World-traveling faculty member to speak on geography's future

by KAREN LOUDIN
reporter

The former geography editor on ABC's "Good Morning America" and Marshall geography faculty member, Dr. H. J. de Blij will be speaking to students and faculty as part of the Drinko Symposium, 4 p.m. Thursday in Harris Hall 134.

This television personality, author, and professor has presented public lectures throughout the United States and across the world.

Research, television and teaching has taken him to more than 100 countries.

His presentation at Marshall will address the role of geography in the 21st century.

Dr. Mack H. Gillenwater, professor of geography, said he encourages everyone to attend the lecture.

"Dr. Harm J. de Blij is one of the most outstanding geographers in the country, if not the entire world," Gillenwater said. "Dr. de Blij joined the Marshall University geography faculty several months ago and we are very proud to have him as part of our staff. Although he holds a non-teaching position here at

Marshall, he participates in various university and Geography Department symposiums and seminars."

Dr. de Blij's television work earned him a share of an Emmy Award from the Academy of Television Arts and Sciences in 1993.

He joined NBC news in 1996 as geography analyst, where he uses his trademark maps to explain the geographic background to major events.

In addition to de Blij's television work, he has also published more than 30 books. Several achieving multiple additions and have spent years on the bestseller lists.

Specializing in geopolitical and environmental issues, de Blij

was elected to the National Geographic Society's Committee for Research and Exploration. He was also the founding editor of the Society's scholarly journal, National Geographic Research.

Dr. de Blij is an avid wine collector and has written three books on the subject. He is also an amateur violinist, and has played with orchestras and chamber groups.

He and his wife, Bonnie, maintain homes in Boca Grande, Fla. and Chatham, Mass.



Folk artists perform to preserve



Courtesy Photo

Performing a wedding celebration from the Prigorje region of Croatia are the Duquesne University Tamburitzaans.

by CHIP TUCKER
reporter

Vivid costumes, brilliant dancing and dazzling choreography are all part of the Tamburitzaans performance, according to Angela Grant, marketing coordinator of the Marshall Artists Series.

Internationally famous Tamburitzaans of Duquesne University are folk artists

dedicated to the preservation of Eastern European folk culture. Using over five hundred authentic costumes in each concert, the Tamburitzaans sing and perform dances in a dozen different European languages.

"The dances, rituals, songs, costumes and folklore all unfold in a brilliant array of color and high speed precision," Grant said.

This performance is designed to be shown to all ages. Tamburitzaans will appear at the Keith-Albee Theatre, at 8 p.m. Thursday.

Ticket prices are \$12, \$10, and \$8 at the Marshall Artists Series office, Room 160 Smith Hall, or by calling 696-6656. Tickets are free to full-time Marshall students and half price for faculty and staff.

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**"He's not the best role model
for young people."**

—Matt Johnston
high school page who voted against having President
Clinton's picture in a group shot

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Life miserable with roommate

To the editor:

I have been here at Marshall for almost a year now and it is great except for one thing and that is my roommate this semester. I had no problems with my roommate last semester but I wish I could say that this time. I am having a terrible experience with my roommate this semester. It started in about the second week when a few things happened and I came to the conclusion that this living situation wasn't going to work. I went to the RA and told him about it. He said he would talk to the RD and that there was plenty of space open for him to move into. I thought everything would be taken care of but it wasn't. I waited a few weeks and nothing happened. I still figured they were going to do something. I waited a few more weeks and nothing happened. Then a few more weeks. Nothing ever did happen and that is odd because living with him is still a miserable experience.

A few weeks back I found out why he hadn't moved out. He had went to the RA and lied. He had told him that we had worked things out. I will say right now that this is not true. I didn't talk to him for like two weeks after I made the complaint. He lied just to keep this room. This ticks me off. I got stuck living with him because of a lie on his part. There is now only about five weeks left and it is probably too late for anything to be done. I would like to thank residence services for doing nothing to help me.

I pay too much money to live have to live with this guy. There are a number of things that make this living situation suck. The first and foremost being that on the second day he was here he used my computer. This may not seem like a big deal but I didn't even know the guy and he waits till I leave to use my property. Next is the fact that every time that I sweep the floor is a mess again on the next day. I like to keep my room clean and he could care less. A big problem is his snoring. How am I supposed to study with so much noise? It is very hard to concentrate. This is the quiet floor.

You may be saying well why don't you use the library. I am not going to be forced to leave my room because I got stuck with the worst roommate possible.

I ask him about these things hoping to get some change but that won't happen. He could care less what I think. I'd like to thank residence services for doing nothing about this. It has been a horrible experience living with this guy and hope I never get stuck with a roommate like this again. Of course it can't really get any worse now can it? No it can't.

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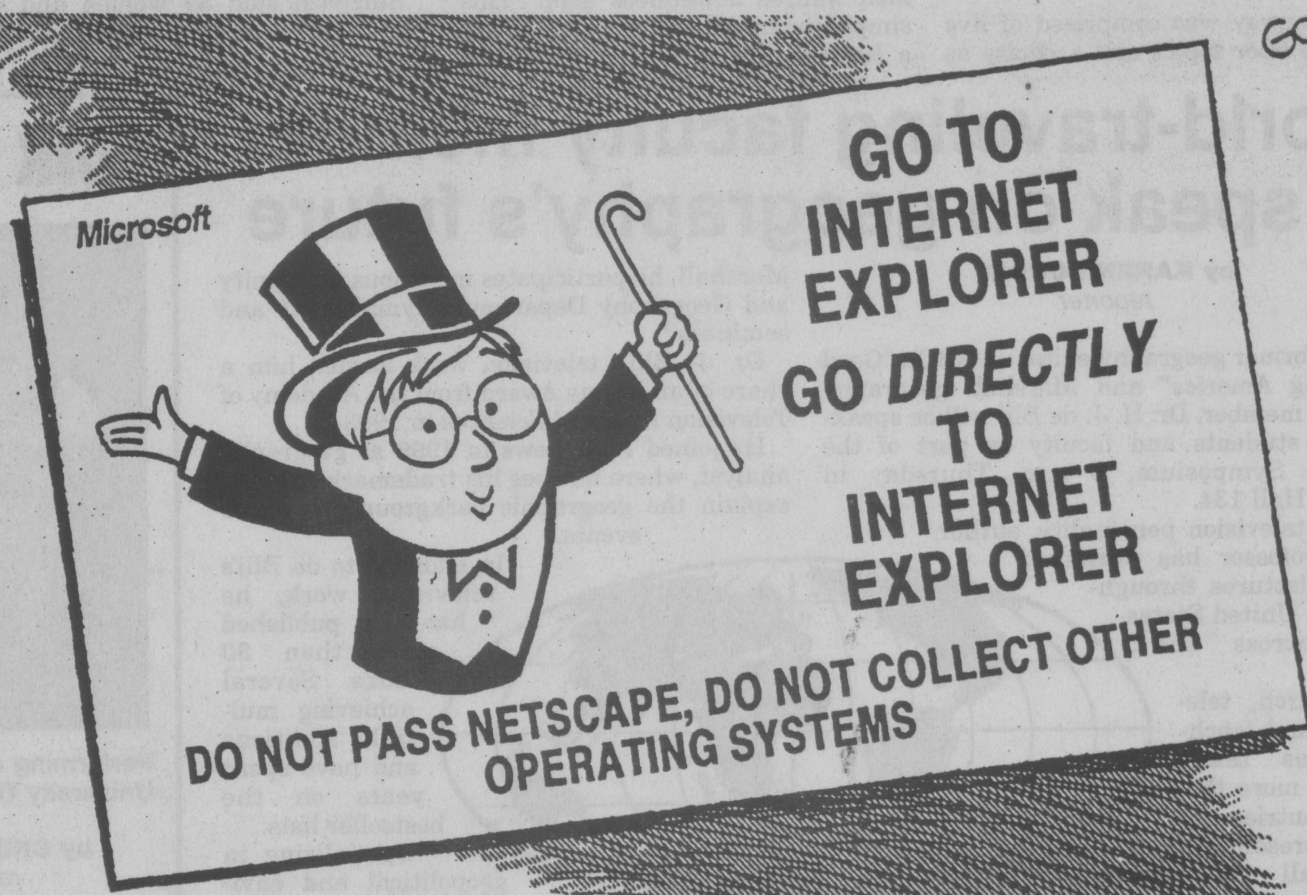
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Conversion changed columnist

Dan **LONDEREE**
columnist

As your eyes settle upon these words, do you think perhaps you could do a favor for me? It is a very small one, I assure you: All I ask is this: wherever you are right now, stop -- and look at the world around you. What do you see? Of course, different people will see different things, because that is the way perception operates. There are some things, however, that are universal, no matter who you are. These are the events that end the lives of those around us.

Quite morbid, isn't it? Think about how many people die each day on this planet. I know, it sounds like a terrible thing to think about. Murders, automobile accidents, diseases, natural disasters . . . they all bring about horrifying images in the mind's eye.

But they DO happen. Every day. What amazes me is how much we take our lives for granted. We expect to wake up each day just as healthy and alive as the day before. And we assume we're going to make it through the day in the same manner. After all, the events that end people's lives don't affect US, right? WE will never be caught in a hurricane. WE will never be sitting in a classroom when someone walks in with a firearm. WE will never pull out in front of a truck at a blind intersection.

Those things only happen to OTHER people. Those things are only seen in news reports. They won't affect US.

That's not really true though, is it? Obviously not.

Because the people that these things have happened to in the past were thinking the same thing -- "It's not going to happen to me."

Less than a year ago, that is how I lived. I watched the news and thought, "That's a terrible thing that happened to those people, but at least I'll never have to worry about it." Was I going to die some day? Sure, of course. But that was far in the future. I had plenty of time to take care of things until then. Years and years. All kinds of time.

That all changed one day.

I was sitting in church one Sunday morning -- probably for the first time in months. Before that day, I just didn't see any reason for me to worry about how I lived. After all, I had plenty of time to make things right before my time was at hand. And really, why should I get up on Sunday and go to church? I could sleep in, and besides, I didn't need to be concerned about how close I was to God. I could just always simply ask forgiveness for all the bad things I did on my deathbed, right before I died, 70 years from now.

But I woke up that morning, and drove to Lewis Memorial Baptist Church. Everyone there looked much different from what I was used to. They all smiled and greeted me. As a matter of fact, I didn't notice one person in the entire place who seemed downtrodden or depressed. And I didn't know why.

After the pastor delivered his message he asked for everyone to bow their heads. Before he began the closing prayer, he asked a question -- one that would change my life.

He asked the congregation, "If you died today, are you sure you would go to heaven?" He then asked for those who were unsure to raise their hands. I wasn't sure. I had grown up going to church. I believed in God. I believed Jesus was His son. But I still wasn't sure. After all, I had done some pretty crazy things through the course of my life. I couldn't raise my hand that day. I wanted to, but I just couldn't. I didn't want the people around me to know that I wasn't sure. Little did I know that they would have accepted me right then and there if I had raised my hand.

It wasn't long after that question was asked to me the first time that I had to have a solid answer. Several Sundays later, I met with the pastor in his office, and he prayed with me. I accepted Jesus Christ as my savior that morning. And I was baptized a week later.

I began to see why the people in the sanctuary that first Sunday morning were so joyful. They knew. They knew they were going to a better place when their time on this earth was over. And now I knew.

My life simply hasn't been the same since. I found myself wanting to change the way I lived. I actually WANTED to go to church to learn more about God and Jesus. I knew I couldn't be perfect, but I also knew I could try my best to live the way God wanted me to. I gave up things in my life that had seemed so important before, because I realized they had only been roadblocks. And let me tell you, I have never been happier.

All of this came as a result of one question. I finally real-

ized that I simply didn't know WHEN I was going to die. The thing is, none of us do. So often it seems that we have all the time in the world to make things right. We think we can wait until just before we die to make sure our fate is secure. But it doesn't work that way.

Every day, events occur that end the lives of those around us. It's easier to think that these things cannot affect us -- until they do. By then, it's too late. I am glad that I can go through life with the knowledge that when my time comes, I will be with the Lord. And I am grateful to Him that He has taught me I can live my life according to Him, instead of according to how the rest of the world says I can live.

No doubt this column will bring in a wide variety of responses. In today's politically correct society, sharing the word of God has become somewhat of a crime. Obviously I do not expect everyone to agree with what I have written in this space. I only wish to share my experience with others. And if even one person out of those who read this is able to come to the realization that I came to, then my time has been well spent.

I leave you with this, a verse that many of you may have heard before. It comes from the Bible; from the book of John.

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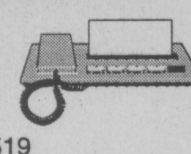
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Web site promotes Pennington

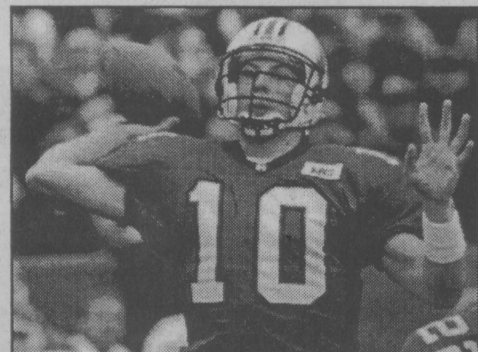
by **KRISTI R. ERWIN**
reporter

These days it seems like you can find almost anything or anyone on the Internet. Just ask Herd quarterback Chad Pennington.

Pennington now has his own web site, courtesy of the Marshall office of sports information. Clark Haptonstall, sports information director said, "The address, www.HerdQB.com, was created in hopes of helping promote Chad as a 1998 Heisman trophy candidate."

Pennington said the web site is good publicity for the university and the football program, but he doesn't consider himself a Heisman trophy candidate. "I have a lot of things I need to work on and what happened last season won't help next season."

The office of sports information also had a web site last year for Randy Moss.



Pennington will be promoted as a 1998 Heisman trophy candidate.

Although Moss didn't win the Heisman, his web site, www.Randy-Moss.com, drew over 80,000 visitors in four months.

The designers of Pennington's web site, Brian Morgan and John Savory, have broken the site down into several categories. Inquiring minds can find everything from statistics to audio highlights from the 1997 season. As of 5:00 p.m. Monday, the first day the web site was in operation, almost 250 people had already checked it out.

A personal profile on Pennington is also included on the site allowing fans and sports writers to learn some interesting facts about him. For instance, did you know that Chad's father played football and basketball at Bluefield State College?

Haptonstall said Pennington is the kind of person Marshall University should be proud of both athletically and academically. "Chad's the type of guy who doesn't want anyone to go out of their way for him," he said.

Pennington is pleased with the web site, but said it's not too important right now. "When a player starts worrying about awards, goals and expectations are forgotten," he said. "Sometimes hype can



Pennington said he needs to try to improve and be a better leader.

work against you. I'm just worried about trying to improve and being a better leader."

Kentucky stripped of its crown

LEXINGTON (AP)—Two days after defeating the Utah Utes for the national championship, the Kentucky Wildcats were stripped of their title after team members admitted to a point shaving scheme.

Instead of shaving points off of the score to keep the betting lines close, the Wildcats were guilty of shaving the point-like nubs off of all the basketballs to make them more aerodynamic for long three-pointers.

Kentucky fans were shocked to hear the unfortunate news. "It's unbelievable," John Q. Smith, a long-time Wildcats fan said. "This must be some sick April Fools joke."

Yes Mr. Smith, it is. Remember, today IS April Fools Day.

Former hoop stars will talk business

by **ERIN E. DOWNARD**
reporter

Marshall basketball alumni prove that success after college does not necessarily mean an NBA contract.

Eric Bachelor, member of the 1972-74 teams, will speak at 10 a.m. today and Charles E. Slack, a four-year player starting in 1952, will speak at 9:30 a.m. Thursday. Both will speak in Corbly Hall 105.

Bachelor graduated with a master's degree in education administration. He is working as a franchisee at the Houlihan's Restaurant Group Inc. and Auntie Anne's Pretzels. He is a partner with the Marriott Hotel chain and Historical Renovations Inc.

He has spent 17 years with Ford Motor Co., negotiating labor contracts, serving as a human relations manager and conducting arbitration proceedings. He also owned several small businesses while at Ford, including a chain of laundromats, thoroughbred race horses, restaurants and real estate developments.

With his experience he

These former Herd basketball players will be talking about business, not hoops, today and Thursday in Corbly Hall.

became president and chief executive officer of Bachelor Foods, Inc.

Slack, whose 25.6 rebounds per game in one season set a NCAA record, is a retired director of personnel at Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co. With a bachelor's degree in education, he went to Goodyear where he worked in sales, labor relations and human resources over a 35 year period.

He continued his education in executive management at Northwestern, Carnegie Mellon, Virginia and Michigan.

Slack is a member of the Marshall University Athletic Hall of Fame and the West Virginia Sports Hall of Fame.

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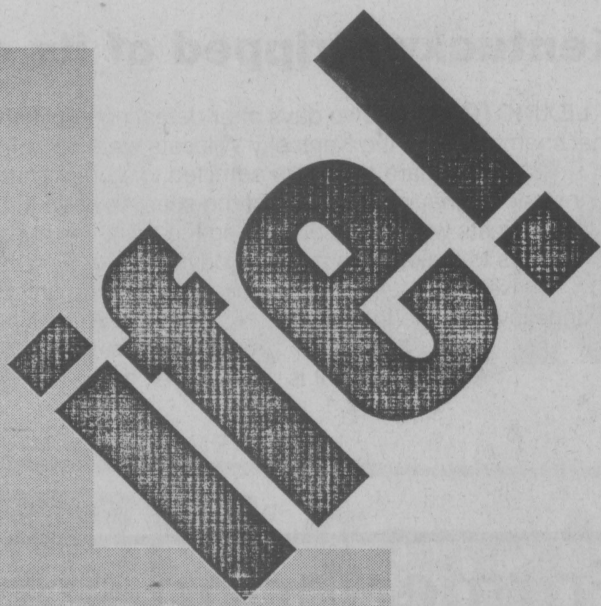
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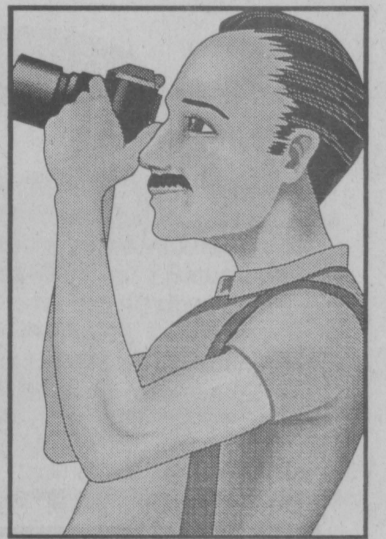


Spring Break Stories...

Students share their experiences

Some students spent their breaks in other countries. One student has a story about her trip to British Columbia, where she met Prince Charles and Prince William, a famous television reporter and an Olympic snowboarder. Read more about this exciting trip and take a look at some of the interesting vacation photos.

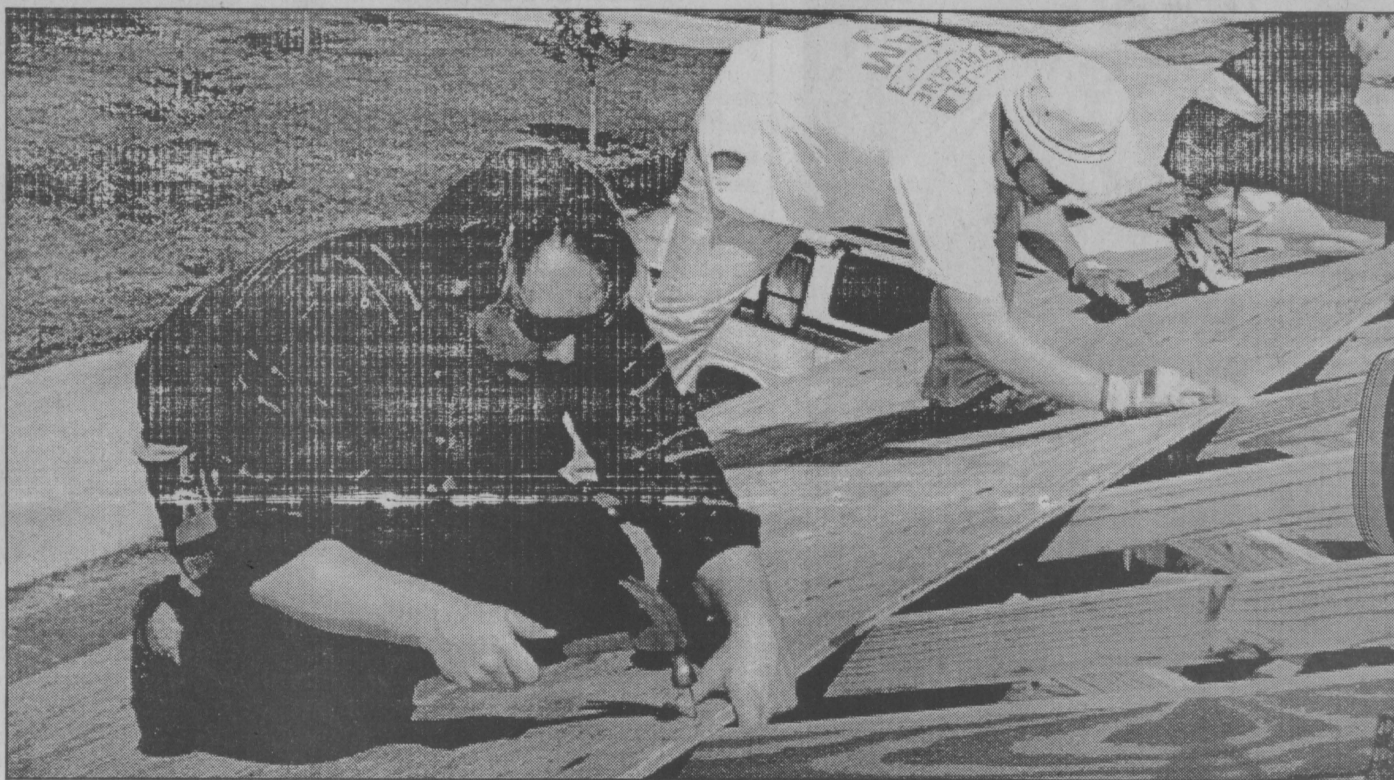
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Habitat for Humanity workers Hank Rider and Mark Jarrett work on the roof of a Florida house. The group's efforts benefitted some families who were left homeless after the hurricane season.

Repairing broken Dreams

Marshall students help build homes for hurricane victims

Great rewards mixed with minor injuries were brought back by students who volunteered to build houses for Habitat for Humanity in Florida during spring break.

Volunteers came home with great satisfaction, according to Jennifer McCormick, Huntington senior and president of Campus Habitat. "It's satisfying to know that no matter how much we did, we helped some people get out of shacks and move into a somewhat spacious home," she said.

The sixth week of Collegiate Challenge, a seven-week Habitat for Humanity project, was the first in which injuries occurred. Besides bouts with heat exhaustion and smashed fingers, first aid volunteers responded to three students, including one from Marshall, who had fallen off a roof.

Hank Rider, Ansted senior and former Parthenon reporter, fell while he was working on a roof Thursday. He suffered from severe bruising on his hip in addition to a number of cracked bones in his feet.

The group of 18 from Marshall spent spring break working in Princeton, Fla. This year's project focuses on Jordan Commons, a Habitat neighborhood which is projected to have 187 houses when completed.

This is a prospect that the Rev. Jim McCune, campus United Methodist minister, said makes it clear why Habitat is the world's fourth largest builder. "This is more than just a token response to poverty," he said.

Approximately 200 students, including Marshall's 18, participated in the sixth week of Collegiate Challenge. Other schools represented included Kent State, Oberlin, Northwestern (Evanston,

Ill.), and the University of Hawaii.



Mark Jarrett hangs around waiting for the next job to be done.

Marlena Wojcik, Northwestern freshman, said this was the first time she had worked with Habitat and that she had gained from the experience.

"It's energy in motion," Wojcik said.

This year's Collegiate Challenge was not something new to James Boldman, sole volunteer from the University of Hawaii. Because his dad is a Habitat supervisor, Boldman said he grew up with the program.

"If you believe in what goes around comes around, then this is a great thing to participate in," Boldman said. "You never know when you might be in that position."

Collegiate Challenge disproves the negative image youth have,

Boldman said.

"People talk about college students being so selfish," Boldman said. "Here are students who are not only working for a cause they believe in, but are also giving up their spring break."

Sal DeSanctis of Beddington, Maine, who supervised the Marshall group, said he used to have that negative opinion. "I was getting a cynical view of the younger generation. I came down here and was relieved to see that the future wasn't going to Hell in a hand basket," he said.

DeSanctis said he had been working with Habitat since Miami's recovery from Hurricane Andrew.

"I feed off the young people's energy," DeSanctis said.

DeSanctis said he was very pleased with Marshall students' performance. "They were the best."

McCune said he agreed. "Marshall should be proud of the crew they sent to Miami. The experience, maturity and conscientious way they went about it was very impressive," he said.

Rider said his injuries did not damage his sentiments of the trip. "Even though I was hurt from the accident I still had a great time. All the friends I made during the trip made me feel better instantly," he said.

"We went down as 18 individuals and came back a family," Rider said. "The fall didn't hurt half as much as saying good-bye."

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ABOVE: Wendi Howard pounds away for Habitat for Humanity during her spring break.

RIGHT: Ed Keyler shows his ability to squeeze through tight spaces while volunteering for the Habitat project.

BELOW: The finished product after a week of hard work in the Florida sun.

